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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	10/068,580
	Filing Date	February 6, 2002
	First Named Inventor	DiBiase et al.
	Art Unit	3635
	Examiner Name	B. S. Katcheves
	Attorney Docket Number	29020/107A

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ii. ☒ Other Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) dated May 13, 2004
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) dated _____
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iv. ☐ Other _____
2. **Miscellaneous**
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-2855
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 10/08/2004 MAILED1 00000095 10068580
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 790.00 0P
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 900.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Dated: October 4, 2004

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PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

Effective October 1, 2001

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS	47	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	47 minus 20 = *	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 minus 3 = *	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input type="checkbox"/>		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* Minus	**	=
Independent	* Minus	***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	370.00
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	740.00
X\$18=	486
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL	1226

SMALL ENTITY

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

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	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* 31 Minus	** 47	=
Independent	* 4 Minus	*** 3	= 1
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	86.00
+280=	
TOTAL	paid
ADDIT. FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* Minus	**	=
Independent	* Minus	***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

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